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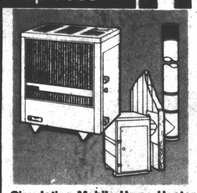

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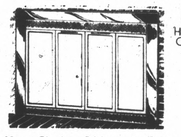

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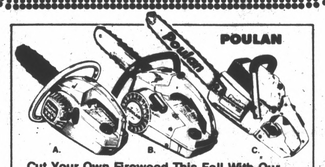

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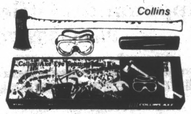

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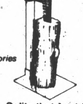

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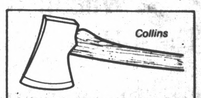

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Test well yields no water: other options sought

By BILL SHERROD

A test well drilled on property owned by David Nash in search of supplemental municipal water for Appomattox yielded insufficient water flow to service the town, according to Town Manager Bill Britton.

Britton told the Appomattox Mayor and Council at their regular meeting Monday night that the well yielded only three gallons per minute.

The well, drilled to 300 feet, cost the town $1,200, according to Britton.

In the face of dwindling municipal water supplies, Appomattox has in the past year sought a suitable site on which to locate a new town well.

Britton noted Monday that well expert Fred Jones believes a site behind Appomattox Middle School off Route 460 might have the potential for producing substantial amounts of water.

The Councilmen authorized Britton to approach the Appomattox County School Board, owners of the property, and negotiate an agreement that would allow the town to drill a test well on the property.

Councilmen also heard a report on the cable television franchise in Appomattox.

Arco, Inc., the Pennsylvania-based company which holds the franchise, has "not been in compliance" with the terms of the franchise, according to Britton.

He noted that the company was given 30 days to come into compliance, and that time was due to expire Tuesday (Oct. 14).

After that time, the town could annul the franchise, Britton noted. He said that a cable television firm currently operating out of Farmville has expressed "strong interest" in picking up the franchise if Arco loses it.

The Councilmen also voted to put a street light on a stretch of Morris Avenue which is abnormally dark at night.

Mayor Ronnie Spiggle noted that street lights are very expensive, costing the taxpayers more than $12,000 in the first nine months of fiscal 1980.

In other business, the sewer committee recommended and got approval for a motion to deny Thomasville Furniture Industries access to the municipal sewer system.

Committee spokesman Ray Noble noted that addition of the Thomasville wastewater would put additional strain on a system which is already operating near capacity, and would necessitate costly monitoring since the influent contains chemicals which are considered hazardous materials.

The Councilmen also voted to adopt a proposed Areawide Housing Opportunity Plan (AHOP) with the stipulation that the plan be administered locally.

The plan, if approved by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, would provide a method of dispersing federal housing subsidy funds for low-and-moderate-income housing.

Dickerson wins grid contest

Competition was fierce in last week's football contest, but when the dust lifted from Appomattox County's crystal balls, Fred Dickerson of Spout Spring emerged victorious, accurately predicting the outcomes of all but three of the 23 contest games.

Dickerson missed predicting the outcome of the Navy-Air Force game (which Navy won), the Auburn-LSU game (which LSU won) and the Appomattox-Brookville game, which Appomattox won.

Second place was captured by Dan G. Coleman, following a tie-breaker involving nine contestants. Coleman, who with eight other competitors missed accurately predicting the outcome of four games, took second place with a 21-point differential between the two games offered as tie breakers.

Right on Coleman's heels was Curtis T. Mayberry, Sr., who had a 25-point spread. Following Mayberry was Ben Marshall with a 26-point spread, Evan Thompson with a 27-point spread, Michael with a 27-point spread, Michael Johnson with a 29-point spread, Sherri Cheryba with a 31-point spread, and Mike George and Virginia A. Hunter, each with a 34-point spread.

Seventy contestants entered last week's Times-Virginian weekly football contest.

The popular contest continues this week, with details and rules of the game on the contest page inside.

A FIREWORKS DISPLAY was one of many featured attractions of the eighth Annual Historic Appomattox County Railroad Festival. Bluebird weather greeted visitors who attended events in town. For a complete rundown on the Railroad Festival see feature on pages two and three.

Board ponders youth offenders

By BILL SHERROD

Repeated problems with juvenile offenders were the subject of a discussion at the Appomattox County Board of Supervisors meeting Friday.

Supervisor Horace W. Coleman, Jr., noted that he has had numerous complaints regarding juveniles who have broken various laws repeatedly and gone without court sanction. He cited as examples numerous complaints about juveniles loitering after business hours in the streets of Pamplin, and juveniles who go unpunished or unfined following traffic citations.

Coleman noted that county Sheriff Gene Richardson has complained about the conviction record of Juvenile Judge Taylor Williams in Appomattox County.

He said many of the juvenile offenders who have appeared in court repeatedly wind up in circuit court after they turn 18, because these cases are not handled properly in juvenile court.

In answering a question regarding what action the board can take, Commonwealth's Attorney W. Sam Kerr noted that the supervisors could draft a letter to the state Judicial Committee and Representative Claude Anderson citing their concern about this matter.

The supervisors agreed to take Kerr's advice under consideration. One fact which they feel highlights their concern is that in a 12-month period last year, only $27 was generated in fines in the Juvenile Court.

In another matter, the supervisors voted to advertise their intent to adopt an ordinance regulating the operations of precious metals merchants in Appomattox County.

The ordinance would require that the gold and silver merchants purchase a license costing $1,000 yearly to operate in Appomattox County, as well as in the towns of Pamplin and Appomattox.

The ordinance is similar to those adoped in neighboring communities, according to Kerr.

Board Chairman Dr. S. R. Lawson noted that a precious metals merchant who could come up with the $1,000 license fee would "probably be legitimate."

The Supervisors also agreed to adopt an Areawide Housing Opportunity Plan (AHOP) submitted by the Central Virginia Planning Commission.

The motion approved Friday stipulates that the AHOP proposal must be implemented by local agencies, rather than by a regional housing authority.

AHOP, if approved by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, will define methods of dispersing housing assistance funds for low and moderate income families.

For example, federal funds could be used to help pay a landlord leasing property to low-income families, additional rent so the landlord could improve the rental property.

Long-term care cited as goal

Editor's Note: This is the final story in a three-part series dealing with the Central Virginia Commission on Aging and programs offered to the elderly in Appomattox County.

By BILL SHERROD

If the Central Virginia Commission on Aging can grow in the next six years the way it has since its beginnings in 1974, then the elderly of Appomattox County can expect a better chance of happiness in the last years of their lives.

Already, plans are in the making for enlarging the scope of the services program offered by the CVCA and other Commissions on Aging in Virginia.

According to Wallace Clair, executive director of the Central Virginia Commission on Aging, the state government is currently focusing its efforts on improving provisions for long-term care of the elderly in Virginia.

Clair says Governor Dalton has appointed a committee composed of representatives of the Department of Public Health, the Department of Mental Health, the Department of Health and Welfare, and the Virginia Office on Aging, to draw up legislation aimed at defining a structure for elderly care in the coming years.

House Joint Resolution 162, the bill which will advocate and delineate programs for long-term care of the elderly, is currently on the boards and is expected to be submitted for subcommittee review by Dec. 1, before the state legislature comes into session in January.

"HJR 162 is primarily concerned with getting people to take care of with getting people to take care of their peers, establishing long-term homes in elderly citizens' homes, and in setting up foster homes and day-care centers for the elderly," according to Clair.

He adds that the federal government is also concentrating on establishing permanent programs to provide the long-term care of the elderly. Currently, there are experimental elderly care programs funded by the federal government in three states, according to Clair.

As is the case with any agency which operates largely on funds provided by the federal and state governments, the CVCA is concerned with funding sources for the future.

Currently, the CVCA is funded through Dec. 31 of this year. And, Clair says, CVCA officials expect that there will be an increase in funding for fiscal 1981.

Still, there are cases where programs supported in the past through public funding will be without funding in fiscal 1981.

For example, the federal government has set aside money for a continuation of the nutrition program, but has allocated no money for transportation to and from the meal centers in FY 1981.

"Transportation is always a top priority in our programs, especially in rural areas," according to Clair. He notes that 95 percent of the elderly persons participating in the CVCA meals program do not have their own transportation.

But, through volunteered time and funding donations to the program, the transportation program should continue to be an integral part of CVCA's overall services.

Clair believes that the services offered through CVCA programs are "as good or better than those offered by any other agency in the state."

And, he says CVCA will "continue to seek expansion of those programs, and addition of new programs" in the future.

As to what specifically those programs and services will be, Clair says he has no answer. But they will all center on the CVCA's general goal of improving long-term care for the elderly.

"I guess in a nutshell, you could say our ultimate goal is to help elderly persons help themselves enough that they don't have to be institutionalized in their final years," Clair concludes.

Tax tickets out

Tax tickets for 1980 have all been mailed out. If you did not receive yours, please call 352-5200 or come by the Appomattox County Treasurer's Office.

The deadline for paying taxes is December 5, 1980. 10% penalty and 10% interest will be added December 6.

Please pay early to avoid crowds and additional costs.

1981 dog tags are also on sale and must be purchased by January 31, 1981.

The Treasurer's Office will be open November 22 and November 29 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.

Father Darkleaf

By CALVIN ROBINSON

Every minute, every hour of every day is special. And Special Weeks are proclaimed and the same for Special Months. This is National Newspaper Week, October 12 to 18. It is also the Week of The Nurse. Saturday will be International Newspaper Carrier Day. October is National Popcorn Popping Month and October is also National Seafood Month. October is Energy Conservation Month. October 5 - 11 was National Employ the Handicapped Week and also it was National Consumer Education Week and it was Fire Prevention Week. Doubtless there are others, for certainly it is baseball's World Series Week. I could use a Clean Off the Desk Week and a Clean Out the Basement Month. Like I said, every day, week, month is special.

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Coincidence. Twice last week I was asked if I had seen or heard from Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Cawthorne, former Appomattox residents and now of Pompano, Florida. Sunday there was a knock at the front door and there stood the Cawthornes, such a pleasant surprise. With them was Steve Cawthorne, who brought me several out-of-area newspapers and together they brought us some citrus fruit. Thanks.

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So many nice people come to Appomattox. On October 4 there was a Deacons and Wives Banquet at a local restaurant, the group coming from Maysville and Mulberry Grove Baptist Churches, Buckingham County.

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History department. On October 17, 1951, there was a ceremony at Old Appomattox featuring the return to Appomattox of a flag of truce sent into the Federal lines April 9, 1865, signaling the dramatic end of the War Between the States. The flag came into lines under command of Maj. Gen. George A. Custer, who retained the flag and after his death his widow turned it over to a collection of Custer mementoes and through a decision of the heirs it came into possession of the National Park Service. I have a picture of the presentation of the truce flag, brought here by Col. Brice C. W. Custer, a grand nephew, in a ceremony October 18, where I had the honor of being master of ceremony.

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The Railroad Festival last week-end marked another great day in Appomattox. Congratulations to those in charge. And thanks for ideal weather, contrasted with last year when there was rain. Sort of a reunion occasion where old friends met. I wandered up and down Main Street getting VIP autographs and admiring the display of crafts, old cars, food, etc. And the big parade. Note pad - large hobby electric train display, by Trains Unlimited, of Lynchburg; woodwork crafts by James Hedrick, of Danville, who goes to three festivals a year; Hybl Crafts by Mr. Hybl of Keysville, with Chuck and Doris; a cake baked by Brenda Drinkard won five ribbons; fire trucks; the new County Flag; Smokey the Bear; Scouts, oil paintings; FUMA Dillard Drill Team; Fred Frelanz and George Middleton, TV personalities; a good role by Mayor Ronnie Spiggle; string music, etc., etc. Babcock Manor residents were in a special parade unit. Met old friends Syd and Constance Conner, of Collinsville, Malcomb Booker I and III, of Buckingham and many, many more. Let's do it all again next year.

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What does a New York Yankee baseball fan do when his team does not make the play-off or Series? I'll root for the Phillies.

Thanks for reading. Seeya around and good luck to the Raiders.

Guy Farley to visit Appomattox

Guy O. Farley, Jr., State Reagan Coordinator, will be the guest at an Appomattox County Republican Party Brunswick Stew Oct. 18 at Paradise Lake from noon until 5 p.m.

Farley, a graduate of Hampden-Sydney College, received his law degree from the University of Virginia. Active in governmental affairs, Farley has served as Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney, served three terms in the Virginia House of Delegates and served on the Virginia State Crime Commission. While in the legislature he was the sponsor of several bills strengthening the criminal laws in Virginia.

Named to Who's Who In American Politics, Farley is a member of the Conservativer Caucus, 7th District Representative; and a member of the American Trial Lawyers Association.

He is a senior partner in the law firm of Farley and Harrington practicing law for 21 years in Fairfax, Arlington, Alexandria and Prince William.

Farley, who operates a small cattle farm in Fauquier County raising purebred cattle, was 1980 delegate to the Republican National Convention elected at large. He is surrogate speaker for Governor Reagan, and Reagan Coordinator for Special groups.

The public is invited to come out for an afternoon of food and fun and fellowship. Country music is planned for the afternoon's schedule.

J. A. WILLIAMS of Pamplin relaxes, confident in the knowledge he's 'done his share' when it comes to donating blood to the Red Cross blood program in Appomattox County. Records show he has donated in excess of 60 pints. Since there was a period when Mr. Williams was donating blood but doesn't have records, Mrs. Alice Martin, Chairman of the Appomattox County Blood Program, feels confident he has donated close to 100 pints. The bloodmobile will be in Appomattox on Oct. 27, according to Mrs. Martin.

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